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In re Application of:

Robert V. Bell, et al.

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For: SAFE AND AUTOMATIC METHOD

FOR REMOVAL OF COKE FROM A

COKE VESSEL

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GROUP ART UNIT: 1764

EXAMINER: Alexa Doroshenk Neckel

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner Neckel:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on March 17, 2006 in the above referenced patent application. A petition for a one month extension of time is submitted herewith, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136 (a).

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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